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To Prove What Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney Remedy, Will do for YOU. Every Reader of Our Paper May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for more sickness and suffering than any other disease, therefore, when through neglect or other causes, kidney trouble is permitted to continue, fatal results are sure to follow.

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DEAR SIR: I had been suffering severely from kidney trouble. All symptoms were on hand; my former strength and power had left me; I could hardly drag myself along. Even my mental capacity was giving out, and often I wished to die. It was then I saw an advertisement of yours in a New York paper, but would not have paid any attention to it, had it not promised a sworn guarantee with every bottle of your medicine asserting that your Swamp-Root is purely vegetable, and does not contain any harmful drugs. I am seventy years and four months old, and with a good conscience I can recommend Swamp-Root to all sufferers from kidney troubles. Four members of my family have been using Swamp-Root for four different kidney diseases, with the same good results.

With many thanks to you, I remain,
Very truly yours,
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You may have a sample bottle of this famous kidney remedy, Swamp-Root, sent free by mail, postpaid, by which you may test its virtues for such disorders as kidney, bladder and uric acid diseases, poor digestion, when obliged to pass your water frequently night and day, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, head ache, back ache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, heart disturbance due to bad kidney trouble, skin eruptions from bad blood, neuralgia, rheumatism, diabetes, bloating, irritability, worn-out feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion, or Bright's disease.

If your water, when allowed to remain undisturbed in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling, or has a cloudy appearance, it is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention.

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COSTLY BLAZE IN BROOKLYN

The Historic Academy of Music, Brooklyn, Is in Ruins.

FIRE PRECEDED BY EXPLOSION

Firemen Were Compelled to Direct Their Efforts Mainly to the Saving of Imperilled Surrounding Property.

New York, Dec. 1.—The historic Academy of Music, the largest theater in Brooklyn, was completely consumed, Monday, by a fire which is believed to have been caused by an explosion in the building. For a time the flames threatened adjoining property, and when the roof fell in, part of it struck a liquor saloon building adjoining, but, fortunately, no one was hurt, although the saloon was destroyed. The loss was estimated at \$300,000. There is no insurance on the building.

The fire started in the scenery on the stage of the theater, where a number of men were preparing for the testimonial dinner of State Senator McCarran, to be given there Monday night. For some unknown reason the fire department was tardy in arriving on the scene, and it was fully 15 minutes before they had a stream on the building. It was then found that the water could be carried scarcely half way up to the roof. Within half an hour after the discovery of the fire the entire building was a roaring furnace, and the firemen were bending all their efforts to saving the surrounding property.

The Academy, which was an antiquated building, constructed in 1860 of brick, sandstone and wood, offered no resistance to the flames. It was located in the heart of the financial district, Opposite, on Montague street, is the Brooklyn public library, with over 160,000 volumes. The wind was blowing in that direction, and great fears were expressed for its safety.

The "Way Down East" company occupied the theater all last week, but all their scenery and effects were taken out late Saturday night.

The building was owned by a stock company.

The banquet to Senator McCarran will be held, as scheduled, and will be given at the Hotel St. George.

COLLEGE BUILDING BURNED.

Main Building at Jewell College at Marshalltown, Ia., Burned.

Marshalltown, Ia., Dec. 1.—The main building of the Jewell Lutheran college, at Jewell Junction, was destroyed by fire Monday. Bert Melang, of Randall, Ia., is missing. Several students had narrow escapes. The loss on the building is estimated at \$25,000; insurance, \$12,500.

CHRISTMAS IN NEW ENGLAND

It Is Preceded by a Cut of \$20,000 a Week From the Wages of Cotton Mill Operatives.

Boston, Dec. 1.—The wages of about 32,000 cotton textile operators were reduced Monday. This brings the total number in New England who have had their pay cut down this fall to about 64,000, and the cut which takes effect in New Bedford next Monday will swell the total to about 75,000, and complete a general reduction in southern New England cotton mills. The cut-down in the majority of factories averages ten per cent. Practically every cotton mill in Rhode Island where there are about 2,200,000 spindles, has adopted the new schedule. In that state nearly 20,000 operatives are affected, and the new order of things will mean a loss of fully \$20,000 weekly in wages. The cut also became operative in mills in Massachusetts and Connecticut controlled by Rhode Island capital and employing about 7,000 additional hands. The report from the mill district indicate that the new schedules were received without any serious protest on the part of the operatives.

FRANCIS M. DRAKE'S WILL.

The Missing Document Found in the Office of the Scottish Rite Consistory at Des Moines, Ia.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 1.—The missing will of the late Francis M. Drake was found Sunday night among some papers in the office of the Des Moines consistory, Scottish Rite masons, of which order Gov. Drake was a member. It was forwarded at once by registered letter, to Centerville for probate. By its terms the six children, including Millie D. Shonts, Jennie Sawyers, Eva D. Goss, F. E. Drake, John A. Drake and Mary Lord Sturdevant share equally and \$50,000 goes to Drake university.

The instrument was drawn January 26, 1897, and was given to Grand Recorder Coleman for safe keeping. The latter thought a later will had been made, and gave the instrument no thought during the fruitless search for it at Centerville.

CURIOUS FOOD COMPOUND.

Old Bones, Alum, Flint and Sulphuric Acid for Raising Bread.

Housekeepers have recently been solicited by some of the grocers and by peddlers to try another kind of baking powder—"cheaper and just as good," as they say. This is another scheme of some baking powder manufacturer to get a new brand on the market by offering the grocer a large profit. Housekeepers are not usually much benefited by such changes. Alum baking powders are generally low priced, but they are well known to be detrimental to health. Large quantities of one of them were recently seized in New York, being found to be largely composed of sharp-pointed grains of ground flint and sulphuric acid.

Most of the so-called phosphate powders are mixed with alum. The manufacturer of a phosphate powder has patented the process of making the principal ingredient of his powder from bones digested with sulphuric acid.

Housekeepers do not want such mixtures in their food. They should never encourage peddlers nor admit testers or alleged experimenters in food within their doors, and when buying baking powder should get a brand well known to be made of cream of tartar, which is a healthful product of the grape.

The Highest Court.

In Colorado is a small town, which has the distinction of being away up above the Cripple Creek, as well as 13,200 feet above sea level.

In the month of May, not many years since, they carried the mail to this town on snow shoes, a distance of 150 miles. So, you see, it is of some importance.

It would be important, if for no other reason than that it boasts a justice of the peace, and he is as important as any other functionary of his class. However, he has a lot of solid horse sense.

A suit was to be tried before him, and one of the parties stirred the community "from center to circumference" by sending off and importing a lawyer.

That case dragged itself out to an unprecedented length—and the populace had never dreamed that law was so full of objections and exceptions, motions, protests, expostulations and the like, as that lawyer proved it to be. He was to them another wonder of the world.

But there was one thing he couldn't prolong, and that was the prompt, crisp, decisive "judgment for the plaintiff," that his honor snapped out as soon as the trial was fairly over, and almost before.

"Well, sir," said the lawyer in tones of superiority, "we will have to take this case to a higher court."

"You can't do that, mister," replied the magistrate.

"And why not, pray?"

"There ain't no higher court, sir. This court is thirteen thousand two hundred feet above the level of the sea, sir—and I'll have you distinctly understand, sir, that it is the highest court in all this broad land, sir."

Miss Payne is the day nurse; Miss Grone is the night nurse.

The patient is recovering rapidly, and in a week or so Miss Death will bid good-by to Dr. Dye, Miss Payne and Miss Grone. Philadelphia Ledger.

EXPENSIVE DEARS.

The Kind That Are Fond of Fine Clothes and Other Articles of Adornment.

The fish commission in San Francisco is frequently in receipt of ridiculous communications from people of the interior who have vague ideas of the functions of the bureau, says a local exchange. A retired merchant from one of the hill towns, desiring to devote his spare time to the study of zoology, sent the following letter of inquiry to Prof. Charles A. Vogelsang:

"I am interested in natural history and want to get hold of a dear for scientific purposes. Do you know where I can buy one? If so, get a good one and express it in a box e. o. d., together with a permit for keeping same. One of the common varieties will do. I will pay all expenses."

After pondering over the communication for some time Herr Vogelsang dispatched the following reply:

"Dears of all kinds are abundant in this neck of the woods, and if you are not particular as to color or breed I can easily comply with your request. Most of them would object, however, to being sent in a box by express. If you will agree to assume the cost of perpetual maintenance, I will promise to send you a dear who will be useful, both for scientific study and for house-keeping. I am not authorized by the laws of the state to issue such permits as you require, but you may get them from the county clerk. I await your reply with eagerness."

When Water Tastes Good.

This is a Texas story. There was gathered at one of the country towns the usual crowd for the county court, which included the judge, the district attorney, sheriff, clerk, a number of lawyers, and, on this particular occasion, a young army officer. Well, they celebrated to rather a late hour on the first night, and when bedtime came it was found that most of them had to sleep in the one large room called in the west the "school section," because everything in the school section lands in the early days belonged to everybody. About daylight the next morning the district attorney crawled out, and found a pitcher of ice water. As he poured it down his throat it fairly hissed. After a long draught he stopped and said: "No d-d-der fool knows how good water tastes."—Washington Post.

Reads Like a Mfrmate.

Friarspoint, Miss., Nov. 30.—The Butler case still continues to be the talk of the town. Mr. G. L. Butler, the father of the little boy, says:

"The doctor said my boy had disease of the spinal chord, and treated him for two months, during which he got worse all the time. Finally, the doctor told me he did not know what was the trouble. The boy would wake up during the night and say that he was dying. He would be nervous and trembling and would want to run from the house, saying he saw ugly things which frightened him. After we had tried everything else, I read an advertisement of Dodd's Kidney Pills as a cure for Nervous Troubles. I purchased some and used them until he had taken altogether eight boxes, when he was sound and well, with not a single symptom of the old trouble. This was some months ago, and I feel sure that he is permanently cured. We owe to Dodd's Kidney Pills all the credit for his restoration to good health."

So Say We All.—McJigger—"You don't mean to say you believe in divorce?" Thungubob—"Well, I do in the case of the man who is wedded to his opinions."—Philadelphia Press.

Stop the Cough and works off the cold. Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25 cents.

Dumley—"By George! I believe I'm the greatest fool in the world." Synnex—"That makes it unanimous." Boston Transcript.

Do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—J. F. Boyer, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

Edith—"I believe he only married her for her money." Edna—"Well, he has certainly earned it."—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Putnam Fadeless Dyes do not stain the hands or spot the kettle, except green and purple.

"Is he fond of music?" "I think not. He enjoys his daughter's playing." Cincinnati Times-Star.

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THE MARKETS.

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ANOTHER LIFE SAVED.

Mrs. G. W. Fooks, of Salisbury, Md., wife of G. W. Fooks, Sheriff of Wicomico County, says: "I suffered with kidney complaint for eight years. I felt tired and weak, was short of breath and was troubled with bloating after eating, and my limbs were badly swollen. One doctor told me it would finally turn to Bright's disease. I was laid up at one time for three weeks. I had not taken Doan's Kidney Pills more than three days when the distressing aching across my back disappeared, together with the other symptoms."

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